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| [X] The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers [] is extended, [X] is not extended.  Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: |   |                  |  |  |
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| submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDG-   |   |                  |  |  |
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| c. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:   |   |                  |  |  |
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| E. IMPORTANT: Contractor [] is not, [] is required to sign this document and return copies to the issuing office.  |   |                  |  |  |
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| Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the do  | ocument referenced in Item 9A or 1                  | NA as heretofor  | changed remains unchanged and                                  | in full force                            |
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| (Signature of person authorized to sign)   |   |                  | (Signature of Contracting Officer)                             | -  |
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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

1. The following text clarifies a statement made in Amendment 0001.

Question: Section H.9 (a) - "although small businesses may participate as Mentors" - I take this to mean that the Mentor-Protege program is optional for small businesses. Is this correct?

Response: Section H.9 was inadvertently deleted via the first amendment. The clause entitled "Mentor-Protege Program" (EPAAR 1552.219-70) (OCT 2000) can apply to small businesses if a small business decides to participate. If a business decides to participate in the EPA Mentor-Protege program then Section H.9 would be applicable. The text of this clause is as follows:

- (a) The Contractor has been approved to participate in the EPA Mentor-Protege program. The purpose of the Program is to increase the participation of small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) as subcontractors, suppliers, and ultimately as prime contractors; to establish a mutually beneficial relationship with SDB's and EPA's large business prime contractors (although small businesses may participate as Mentors); to develop the technical and corporate administrative expertise of SDBs which will ultimately lead to greater success in competition for contract opportunities; to promote the economic stability of SDBs; and to aid in the achievement of goals for the use of SDBs in subcontracting activities under EPA contracts.
- (b) The Contractor shall submit an executed Mentor-Protege agreement to the contracting officer, with a copy to the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization or the Small Business Specialist, within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of the contract. The contracting officer will notify the Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days from its submission if the agreement is not accepted.
- (c) The Contractor as a Mentor under the Program agrees to fulfill the terms of its agreement(s) with the Protege firm(s).
- (d) If the Contractor or Protege firm is suspended or debarred while performing under an approved Mentor-Protege agreement, the Contractor shall promptly give notice of the suspension or debarment to the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization and the contracting officer.
- (e) Costs incurred by the Contractor in fulfilling their agreement(s) with the Protege firm(s) are not reimbursable on a direct basis under this contract.
- (f) In an attachment to Standard Form 294, Subcontracts Report for Individual Contracts, the Contractor shall report on the progress made under their Mentor-Protege agreement(s), providing:
  - (1) The number of agreements in effect; and

(2) The progress in achieving the developmental assistance objectives under each agreement, including whether the objectives of the agreement have been met, problem areas encountered, and any other appropriate information.